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## CUNARD LINER LUSITANIA SUNK BY GERMAN SUBMARINE

MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND PERSONS ABOARD WHEN SUNK

NUMBER RESCUED STILL UNKNOWN

Steward Says Steamer Was Given No Warning—Believes 900 or More Are Lost.

London, May 7.—The Cunard steamer Lusitania which left New York Saturday with more than two thousand aboard was sunk this afternoon off the Irish coast by German submarines, which fired two torpedoes. The number rescued is unknown. Not more than five to six hundred were unaccounted for at midnight. The ship's steward, who landed at Queenstown, said he believed nine hundred are dead. Some dead and wounded were landed and some died since landing. No names of rescued, dead and injured are known. The Cunard office closed at eleven o'clock and remains closed until morning. Nothing is expected to light from Liverpool.

Up to eleven thirty tonight no official news regarding the passengers and crew of the Lusitania has been published. A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Liverpool said the Lusitania was sunk without warning.

The Cunard offices are tonight besieged by a crowd, mostly women. Many wept as the hours passed without definite news of those aboard. The eagerly read bulletins saying boats were arriving at Queenstown and Kinsale. The bulletins didn't give name and therefore did not allay the anxiety.

The admiralty says five to six hundred survivors from the Lusitania have been landed. There are many hospital cases. Several are dead. Some also landed at Kinsale. The number of survivors is still unknown. No names were given.

150 Landed at Queenstown. Queenstown, May 7.—The tug Stormcock arrived here with about 150 Lusitania survivors, mostly passengers, many women, several of crew and one steward. The steward said the passengers were lunching when the submarine appeared and fired two torpedoes. They struck the vessel on the starboard forward and aft of engine room. The explosions were terrific. Captain Turner ordered the boats out. The ship began to list badly. Two boats put over the side with four to five hundred passengers in them. A tug picked his boat up. He thinks a few officers were saved. It was fifteen minutes between the time the ship was torpedoed and the time she foundered, bow first. He declared it was a dreadful sight.

The steward of the first boat landing here said he feared nine hundred lives were lost.

CUNARD OFFICE IN NEW YORK HAS LITTLE INFORMATION

New York, May 7.—It was reported that Cunard officials here had received a cable saying Lusitania's passengers were all saved. This was denied.

The Cunard Company tonight received a message from Liverpool saying Queenstown wires the Lusitania's first officer thinks five to six hundred were saved. That number includes passengers and crew.

This is the only estimate possible at present.

Discussed by Naval Officers.

Washington, May 7.—Naval officials here think more than one torpedo struck Lusitania. It didn't float longer than thirty minutes. They say the ship was so constructed that a single torpedo would not sink her except under extraordinary circumstances. It was said that inside explosions might have aided in her destruction. The Lusitania is reported to have been carrying extensive war stores for the allies. The officials said if all passengers and the crew were removed in boats after the vessel was torpedoed they accomplished an almost impossible task. The ship carried all boats and rafts required under United States laws. The Lusitania was double skinned with many watertight compartments.

Washington Shocked.

Washington, May 7.—The Lusitania's destruction shocked United States (CONTINUED ON PAGE THREE)

## JAPAN PREPARES TO ENFORCE DEMANDS; WAITING FOR REPLY

ULTIMATUM WAS DELIVERED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON—DEMANDS SLIGHTLY MODIFIED—CHINA ANXIOUS TO AVOID CONFLICT

Washington, May 7.—Official advices reached here tonight saying the Oriental crisis has been averted. Japan has modified her demands on China who will accept them.

Tokio, May 7.—Japan is awaiting China's reply to the Japanese ultimatum. Naval and military preparations are being rushed. Five transports loaded with troops and many warships left in the direction of China. It is stated the government is desirous to avoid a rupture. It is admitted it would prove embarrassing.

Peking, May 7.—Eki Hiroki, Japanese minister to China, presented the Japanese ultimatum to the Chinese foreign office this afternoon. It insists that China accede to the demands presented by the Tokyo government.

The secretary of the Japanese legation previously had visited the foreign office and informed the Chinese officials that Japan's ultimatum contained certain modifications of the twenty-four demands presented by Tokyo.

Tokio, May 6.—A dispatch to the Nichi Nichi from its Peking correspondent says that China last night informed the Japanese minister, Hiroki, that it desired to arrange a settlement of the demands in such a way as to avoid a rupture between the two nations.

The press generally deprecates the

necessity of further concession to China. Some of the newspapers express a fear that the impression will go abroad that the elder statesmen still are a power behind the throne.

More than 40 warships, including the battleship Hizen and battle cruiser Kengo, are preparing at Sasebo for possible operations against China. A second squadron under Admiral Nawa has arrived and is hastily embarking supplies. Rear Admiral Kamimura's fleet, including the battleships Sagami and Suowu, has been ordered to the gulf of Pechili to be in readiness to take aboard Minister Hiroki in case of necessity.

The police are protecting Prof. Ariga, the Japanese adviser to President Yuan Shi Kai, whom speakers have denounced as a Chinese spy. Ample protection is also being arranged for Chinese residents in Japan.

Baron Kato, the Japanese foreign minister, is understood to have informed the ambassador of other powers that the ultimatum to China, which expires 6 o'clock Sunday afternoon, was accompanied by additional modifications of Japan's demands, notably on the questions relating to munitions and advisors, which interested the United States. The impression prevails that the influence of the elder statesmen resulted in further concessions being made to China, in the belief that the lasting interests of Japan would best be served by convincing the powers that Japan is guided by a spirit of justice and a desire for the preservation of peace in the Orient.

## DAUGHTER FIRE IS NARROWLY AVERTED

Messrs. Frank Farmer and T. S. Crayton Discovered Blaze and Sent in Alarm.

What threatened to prove a dangerous fire was narrowly averted last night at 8 o'clock by reason of the fact that Messrs. Frank Farmer and T. S. Crayton were in Mr. Farmer's office over the Farmers and Merchants bank and discovered a blaze in a hallway over Parker & Bolt's store before the flames had gained much headway and sent in an alarm instantly. Had these gentlemen not been there at the time the fire undoubtedly would have reached dangerous proportions before anyone would have discovered it, for it was in such an out of the way place. The fire department made a quick response to the alarm and with the aid of chemical apparatus soon extinguished the flames.

The fire originated in a pile of rubbish that had been thrown up to the dead end of a hallway that serves as an inlet to the office over Parker & Bolt's store formerly occupied by Magistrate W. C. Broadwell and Superintendent of City Schools E. C. McCants. The wainscoting of the hallway was ignited when the firemen arrived and burning merrily.

The firemen probably would not have had such an easy time extinguishing the fire as they did had not Messrs. Farmer and Crayton thrown water on it before the department arrived. The scene of the fire is reached by ascending the flight of stairs between the Farmers & Merchants Bank and Parker & Bolt's store. After reaching the landing one has to turn to the right and go through a door in a brick wall, then go south along a hallway and turn at right angles and proceed east along another hallway before getting to the dead end of the hall where the fire occurred. It can be easily seen that the setting was good for a rather nasty fire.

Just how the fire originated had not been determined last night. It started in a great pile of rubbish, consisting of dumpings from the waste basket, old furniture, pasteboard boxes, bottles, etc. It appeared that ashes had been dumped in the corner also. Whether hot ashes had been dumped on the rubbish pile during the day, the firemen could not tell; but it is hardly probable that such was

## UNITED STATES IS WATCHING ORIENT

No Abatement of Interest in Welfare and Progress of China.

Washington, May 7.—The Japanese and Chinese negotiations held an interest here today second only to the European war.

The position of the United States government regarding the negotiations between two Oriental governments was set forth in a statement which was issued by Secretary Bryan last night after a consultation with President Wilson.

The statement explains that there is no abatement of the American government's interest in the welfare and progress of China and declares that its sole interest in the negotiations is that they may result in an agreement satisfactory to both the Chinese and Japan and thereby contribute to world peace.

The pronouncement says that Japan has promised the United States that she would not violate the American treaty rights nor interfere with the "open door" policy to which the United States and the other powers are committed.

In some quarters the statement today was interpreted to mean that although the United States will not tender its good offices to bringing about a settlement of the questions at issue between China and Japan, its services are at their disposal, if they are wanted.

BARRY SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION OF NEWBERRY

Columbia, May 7.—The state board of education, at a special meeting this afternoon, elected C. P. Barry county superintendent of education for Newberry county, succeeding George D. Brown, resigned; and Donald Huggins county superintendent for Cherokee county, to succeed E. S. McCown, deceased.

Little Interest in Libel Suit.

Syracuse, May 7.—There was little of interest in developments today at the trial of William Barnes' libel suit against Theodore Roosevelt. The day was occupied by attorneys wrangling regarding the admissibility of evidence.

done, as one would not have been likely to have had a fire on such a day as yesterday.

## TERRIFIC STORM IN LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE AND PROPERTY REPORTED IN MISS. VALLEY

\$500,000 DAMAGE IN LOUISIANA

Thirty Persons Dead as Result of Storm—Houses and Other Property Destroyed.

New Orleans, May 7.—Thirty persons are known to be dead today as a result of the storms which devastated Acadia parish in southwestern Louisiana and Coahoma county in northwestern Mississippi, yesterday. All except one are negroes.

Fifteen persons were killed at Egan and Mermentau in Louisiana, while 14 were killed near Clarkdale and Jonestown in Mississippi. At least 45 persons were injured in the Louisiana storm district some perhaps fatally.

The estimates of the property damage in this State are placed at \$500,000. Numerous structures are demolished in the path of the storm. At Mermentau, an iron safe, weighing 2,000 pounds was carried a distance of 200 feet. One house and a pump-plant just outside the town were lifted by wind and were deposited in Mermentau bayou.

A heavy rain accompanied the gale in Mississippi. The railway tracks in several sections of the state were inundated, wire communications in many sections were interrupted.

The report today said that one person had been killed in Saint Helena parish and several were injured. They are also negroes.

All Negroes. Clarksdale, Miss., May 7.—Fourteen persons were killed in a wind storm which swept Coahoma and the adjoining counties of Mississippi late yesterday, according to the reports here today. All are negroes. Many negro cabins were demolished by the storm. The property damage on the plantations will be large.

## HEAVY FIGHTING GOES ON IN EAST

VIENNA CLAIMS AUSTRO-GERMANS PURSUING RETREATING RUSSIANS

EXPECT ITALY TO INTERVENE SOON

Situation There Tense—Press Thinks Only Miracle Can Keep Italy Neutral.

Hard fighting continues in the Carpathians and in Galicia. A Vienna statement says the Russians are still retreating piecemeal across the Beskids by the Austro-German army. It declares the Austro-Germans have repulsed the desperate Russian attacks in the Eastern Carpathians.

Petrograd says the fighting in Galicia has assumed the nature of a great battle. Bad weather prevails in the west. Little fighting is in progress there. In addition to the Lusitania, German submarines have sunk the Turkish steamers Candidate and Centurion off the Irish coast. The Italian situation is growing more tense. Newspapers think only a miracle can keep Italy from war.

Japan has waived points in her demand to China. China has announced she will accept the other Japanese proposals. It is believed this will prevent a rupture.

London, May 7.—Turkish official announcement at Constantinople, received here today, says severe losses have been inflicted on French and British troops landed on Gallipoli peninsula.

It is declared one entire battalion has been annihilated.

Reports direct from Dardanelles, while containing no details of land fighting, say sea bombardment of Turkish forts is proceeding successfully. Some forts at Chanak and Kild Bahr, and probably others on both sides of the straits up to the (CONTINUED ON PAGE THREE)

## TORNADO SWEEPS PEE DEE SECTION; SEVEN LIVES LOST

Two Victims of "Jack the Ripper"



Charlie Murray. Leonore Anna Cohen.

One tenement house section of New York City contains hundreds of thousands of foreigners in a furor over the murder of two children by a "Jack the Ripper." More than 100 detectives of the police force are on the hunt for the murderer, who they believe is a maniac lucky enough so far to escape.

Leonore Anna Cohen, five years old, was attacked in the second floor hallway of her home, in the tenement of No. 352 Third Avenue, March 19. Her abdomen was slashed. No sound was heard by tenants. The murderer made a clean escape.

Charlie Murray, four years old, was attacked in the ground floor hallway of the tenement in which he lived, No. 270 First Avenue. His abdomen was ripped open with two long knife slashes in precisely the same manner as that of the little girl. The crime

## LYNCHING WILL COST CLARENDON \$2,000

Supreme Court Affirms Verdict Rendered Under Lynching Statutes.

Columbia, May 7.—Governor Manning, this morning, relieved Greenwood Rogers, a negro under sentence of death, who was to have been electrocuted at 11 o'clock on August 4th. Rogers was convicted in Laurens for murder.

Clarendon county must pay \$2,000 for the death of Marion Cantey under what is known as the lynching statutes. The judgment below was affirmed today by the supreme court in a decision by Associate Justice Hydrick and concurred in by all of the justices of the court.

The action against the county was brought last July by Madison Cantey, a relative. Marion Cantey was being carried to jail, having been arrested on a warrant charging assault and battery with intent to kill, when he was seized by a mob of 8 or 9 men and shot to death, according to the statement of the case which was filed with the court. The action was brought by Madison Cantey to secure exemplary damages for the lynching of the interstate Marion Cantey.

Italian Senate Opens May 20.

Rome, May 7.—The date for convening the senate and chamber of deputies has been postponed from May 12th to May 20th, by a royal decree.

Frosts in Nebraska.

Kansas City, Mo., May 7.—All Nebraska except the extreme eastern portion, Colorado and most of Kansas and the Texas Pan Handle experienced killing frosts last night.

PATH MARKED BY DEATH AND DESTRUCTION IN FOUR COUNTIES

MANNING SUFFERS HEAVIEST LOSS

Portion of Business Section Wrecked—Three Killed in Marlboro.

Columbia, May 7.—Seven persons were killed, many seriously injured and much property destroyed by a tornado in the Pee Dee section of South Carolina this afternoon. Clarendon, Orangeburg, Darlington and Marlboro counties suffered. Houses were wrecked, trees uprooted and crops badly damaged. In Manning, Clarendon county, a portion of the business section was practically destroyed. Three died there. A girl and her little brother were killed in a plantation in Marlboro county. The Marlboro county almshouse was wrecked, resulting in two deaths and eleven injured. Details are delayed by crippled wire service in the affected sections.

Columbia, May 7.—Clarendon county was struck by a tornado this afternoon, causing death and destruction of property, according to a report reaching Columbia tonight. The town of Manning caught the brunt of the storm and a telegram from Sumter says that several people were killed in Clarendon county and much property ruined. Telephone and telegraph wires to Manning are down and it is hard to get any details.

Marlboro county also suffered heavily from a terrific storm today, reports reaching here tonight saying that it is believed several lives were lost in the county and much property damaged. Telephone wires to the county are out of commission and it is impossible to get the names of persons thought to have been killed or the property damage. Calhoun county reports some damage from the storm, a barn at St. Matthews having been set on fire by lightning and burned.

A heavy rainfall is reported throughout the State, and it is feared that the heavy wind did damage at other places than those indicated. It will be another day before full reports of the damage can be obtained.

## LARGE NUMBER STOOD THE TEACHERS EXAM.

Examination Began at 9 O'clock and at 5 AM Applicants Had No Finish.

Sixty-four white persons, and 20 colored stood the regular annual teachers examination conducted yesterday by the county board of education. The examination for white applicants was held in the county court house, while the colored applicants were quartered at the Reed street school. This is the largest number of applicants for teachers certificates to undergo an examination of this kind in years.

The examination was conducted along the usual lines, that is, questions in algebra, arithmetic, grammar, pedagogy, geography, physiology and hygiene, history, civics and current events and agriculture.

The following requirements for certificates were published by the county board of education with the list of questions propounded:

Eighty per cent average with not less than 50 per cent on any one branch will entitle the applicant to a first grade certificate.

Seventy per cent average with not less than 45 per cent on any one branch will entitle the applicant to a second grade certificate.

Sixty per cent average with not less than 40 per cent on any one branch will entitle the applicant to a third grade certificate.

The examination began at 9 o'clock Friday morning, and was to have been completed at 5 in the afternoon, but at that hour there were several applicants who had not completed the answering of the questions propounded.

The examination papers will be gone over carefully in the near future by the county board of education, and the results of the same made known.

## MRS. CARMAN TESTIFIES IN HER OWN BEHALF

Denies all Testimony Given by Negro Maid—Never Used Revolver.

Mineola, May 7.—Mrs. Florence C. Carman testified in her own defense today. She is accused of killing Mrs. Louise D. Bailey in Freeport on June 30th last. The shooting occurred in the office of Dr. Edwin Carman her husband. She denied all that her former maid had testified. She said she had never used a revolver, but admitted there was one in her room at the time of the shooting.

## ENGLAND ACTS ON LIQUOR QUESTION

Curtailment Sale of Cheap Spirits is Object of Legislation.

London, May 7.—An official statement issued tonight says as most of the mischief is done by raw, cheap spirits of a very quality, the government proposed to substitute for their taxing a complete prohibition of the sale of spirits less than three years old. Time is to be given to provide storage. Beer duties are withdrawn unmodified. Wine duties are also withdrawn.